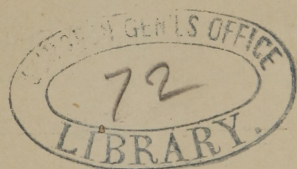
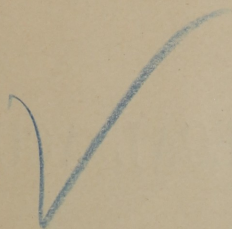
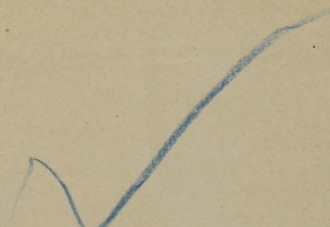


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HIS PROPOSITION JUNE 29, 1882.

Midnight.

- [1] "The brain of Guiteau to be taken out by Dr. Lamb, Dr. Sowers and Dr. Hartigan
in the presence of the invited parties,
[2] and put by them in the necessary preparation for preservation for microscopic examination,
[3] and kept at the National [*i. e.*, Army Medical] Museum,
[4] where such final examination shall be made at the proper time, by parties selected by the
Rev. Mr. Hicks and Colonel Corkhill, United States District Attorney."

No date. No signature. No mention of *autopsy* or REPORT.

Look on this picture, then on that.

His *Interpretation* July 7.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY OF THE UNITED STATES,
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,

CITY OF WASHINGTON, *July 7, 1882.*

DR. Z. T. SOWERS and DR. J. F. HARTIGAN.

GENTLEMEN : In reference to what appears to me to be an unjustifiable and unseemly contest about the autopsy of the body of the assassin of President Garfield I desire to say that I notice what claims to be an official report signed by Dr. D. S. Lamb, as published this morning. In order that there may be no misunderstanding with regard to your position I desire to say positively that Dr. Lamb had no authority to take charge and assume control of this report.

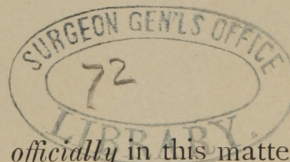
Second. By a positive agreement made between Dr. Hicks and myself the night previous to the execution, the report [sic] and custody of the brain was to be under your joint charge, and Dr. Lamb had no authority superior to either of you.

Third. I think it your duty to your profession to make such a report as your own observation and knowledge of the case authorize you to make, and certainly your duty, as you were specially chosen for that purpose.

I make this statement in order that there shall be no question as to your position.

GEORGE B. CORKHILL,

U. S. District Attorney, D. C.



Colonel Corkhill assumed to act *officially* in this matter. Where did he get his *authority*? All of which is respectfully referred to the legal and medical professions.

